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1. US REP (HOFFMAN) AND USSR REP (ZORIN) LUNCHE
TOGETHER FEBRUARY 7 AT INVITATION OF LATTER. IN
ISSUING INVITATION ZORIN EXPLAINED HIS DESIRE TO
BECOME BETTER ACQUAINTED WITH HOFFMAN AND TO HAVE A
GENERAL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS OF HRC MATTERS.

2. ZORIN'S CHIEF INTEREST PROVED TO BE COMMISSION
AGENDA ITEM RELATING TO LONG-TERM WORK PROGRAM. IT WAS
UNDER THIS ITEM AT 1974 SESSION THAT USSR PROPOSED
RESOLUTION ON DENTNE, PEACE AND HUMAN RIGHTS. ZORIN
STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF ADOPTING RESOLUTION ON THIS
SUBJECT. RECALLING US, UK, USSR NEGOTIATIONS ON DRAFT
RES AT LAST SESSION WHICH ENDED IN DEADLOCK, HE
EXPRESSED HOPE THAT AGREEMENT COULD BE ACHIEVED AT
THIS SESSION ON RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE VALUES OF
PEACE. HE INDICATED POSSIBLE ACCEPTANCE OF SOME
AMENDMENTS ENDORSED BY UK AND US LAST YEAR PROVIDED
THEY DIDN'T TURN RES "UPSOKE DOWN." HOFFMAN RECALLED
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DIFFERENCES IN APPROACH ESPoused BY US-UK AND USSR

AT 1974 SESSION AND EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO WORK
FURTHER TO SEE IF AN ACCEPTABLE TEXT COULD BE
REALIZED.

3. ZORIN'S OTHER INTEREST IN CONVERSATION WAS CHILE. ZORIN TOOK EXPECTED HARD LINE, COMPLAINING THAT CHILE HAD FAILED TO RELEASE A SATISFACTORY NUMBER OF POLITICAL PRISONERS. HE SAID THAT CHILEAN GOVERNMENT WAS ILLEGAL AND SHOULD BE FORCED TO INSTALL PROCEDURES WHICH WOULD LEGITIMIZE ITSELF AND BRING END TO ILLEGAL IMPRISONMENT AND TREATMENT OF PRISONERS. HOFFMAN LIMITED HIS REMARKS TO DENIAL OF ILLEGAILTY OF GOC AND EXPRESSION OF HOPE THAT THE COMMISSION COULD AGREE UPON A PROCEDURE FOR STUDY OF THE SITUATION WHICH WOULD BE MOST EFFECTIVE FOR THE PROMOTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.DALE

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